

Royal College of Science Union

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Executive Committee

Held at 18:00 on 1st November 2017 at the RCSU Office (Sherfield 214D)

PRESENT:

- Michael Edwards – RCSU President (ME)
- Michael McGill – RCSU Honorary Junior Treasurer (MM)
- Michael Suarez – RCSU Honorary Secretary, clerk (MS)
- Ayush Dharap – RCSU Vice-President (Activities) (AD)
- Becky Neil - RCSU Vice President (Operations) (BN)

OBSERVER:

- Bolt
- Shervin Sabeghi - Welfare Officer (SS)

Meeting opened at 19:06

A. President's Matters

a. RCSA meeting 5th or 7th of December

b. Revision of last meeting's minutes - accepted

i. Budget Turnover for next year

ME wants to leave about 4000 pounds of the current budget for the following year.

ii. Money for Welfare Officer

Shervin wants more money to organise departmental activities and a welfare week. For that he is required to suggest some activities and present an estimate cost until the next General Committee meeting.

iii. Money for Science Challenge

The science challenge budget is to be expanded by 1000 pounds and the final will be held in the House of Lords. ME to ask the RCSA for money.

c. Budgeting Summary

MM to tidy up the front end of the budget until the next General Committee meeting.

d. Update from Entertainments

No further big RCSU social events should be planned during December as most

DepSocs have their Christmas Dinner during that time period.

A future meetup with DocSoc and CGCU is required to plan out the Revel event.

e. Update from Operations

i. Broadsheet

It should be finished and printed in 3 weeks time.

ii. Science Challenge

Launch is on the 5th of December in CAGB 200 and the Final on the 6th of March in the House of Lords.

iii. Academic Affairs is yeiy

iv. Website

Ivan is working with Lloyd James to ensure he has full understanding and access to all applications required to run the websites and database.

f. Clubs and Activities

i. C&A are in a state of well-functioning harmony and peace

ii. MathSoc Report

They submitted a verbal report to MM where they reported about a very successful Mum's and Dad's event with an overflow on pizza. Note: If they miss another report submission deadline their accounts will be frozzzen.

iii. ME is raising Mums and Dads to CSPB

He will address the issue of most DepSocs running their own allocation algorithms as they are more successful in matching up people who think alike/ get along better.

g. Constitutional Review and five year plan

i. Input by student body

The input for the constitutional change by the RCSU student body will be collected through a survey. The suggestion was made by SS to introduce a working group but BN claimed that 'they don't work' - so the idea was dismissed.

ME wants to directly approach DepSoc volunteers, the ARN, WBRN and Union Staff. The survey should contain but is not limited to following questions/prompts.

1. Do you know what RCSU is/does?

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2. What do you want the RCSU to do?
3. Do you know the events the RCSU hosts?
4. Do you know who your year/dep rep?
5. Do you know about broadsheet?

Further changes could include the creation of a sponsorship officer role. However, it was stated that we should stay true to our core values. The survey is to be released this or next week

h. A.O.B

i. Promotion of Events through DepSocs

BN and AD requested MS to look into the promotion of DepSoc events.

ii. MS wants to get new 4 keys - making ourself

Meeting closed at 20:11